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In re application of: Donald F. Gordon et al.

Application No.: 09/458,796

Filed: December 9, 1999

Group Art Unit: 2775

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR C REALTIME AND NON-REALTIME ENCODED

THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231

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Transmitted herewith is an preliminary amendment in the above-identified application.

Enclosed is a petition to extend time to respond.

[] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously

[] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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Examiner:

Not yet assigned

Art Unit:

Unknown

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-6 as shown below.

Please add new claims 7-20 as follows.

1. (Amended) An apparatus for encoding <u>realtime and non-realtime contents</u> [a transport stream], the apparatus comprising:

a non-realtime content source [for providing] configured to provide non-realtime content;